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RE: Letter of Opposition: Knoxville Center for Behavioral Medicine, LLC, CN1911-047

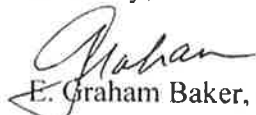
Dear Mr. Grant:

I represent Dowell Springs Behavioral Health, LLC ("Dowell Springs") and on its behalf file this letter of opposition to Knoxville Center for Behavioral Medicine, LLC (the "Center"), CN1911-047, which we understand is scheduled to be heard by the HSDA on February 26, 2020. Dowell Springs is owned by Acadia Knoxville JV Holdings, LLC, and was approved (CN1903-010A) on June 26, 2019 to establish a 90 bed Mental Health Hospital containing 56 adult beds, 24 geriatric beds and 10 adolescent beds.

It appears the Center is planned to be located less than one-half mile from our approved hospital. We feel there is no need for the Center, it cannot be constructed and operated economically, and the its establishment will not contribute to the orderly development of health care. We reserve comments regarding quality issues following a more thorough investigation of the project.

Jeffrey Woods and I will attend the hearing to oppose the Center.

Sincerely,


E. Graham Baker, Jr.

C: Jeffrey Woods, DNP, Operations Group President, Acadia Healthcare